

# House and Household.

## FASHION AND FAFCY.

The warmest winter wraps have not yet become burdensome, but jaunty little capes, reaching just below the elbows and utterly wanting in all the elements of comfort on a cold day, are such a popular variety of outdoor garments that they are quite as much the fashion as they will be later, when they will be better suited to the temperature. It is too early for novelties in spring capes, but the prospect is that everything which can be designated by the name will be worn. They may be short or long, double or single, but they will never leave us while the sleeves keep their present dimensions. They are too convenient, too easily made, to be soon discarded.

Velvet seems to be the popular material for dressy capes, and they are all furnished with the godet plaits around the edge. To correspond with the flaring skirts, lace, chiffon and jet are the most fashionable trimmings. The full neck ruche takes the place of the high flaring collars of the earlier season.

The tendency is toward single capes rather than double ones, and these are made very pretty with frills of lace and spangled yoke collars. One recently made for spring wear is a single cape of black velvet fitted on to a yoke which reaches to the shoulders and fits smoothly. Below this falls a frill of black accordion-plaited chiffon, a little more than a quarter of a yard in depth, which is also carried down either side of the front and caught back at intervals like a jabot. Over the velvet yoke is another one of beads and spangles, and around the neck is a full ruche of chiffon.

An elegant French garment is made of black brocaded velvet, cut in a coat which reaches to the knees and is close fitting in the back. The front is loose and cut away to show a vest of ermine, and the sleeves are wing-like affairs of black satin, trimmed with jet.

Spring jackets are to be much shorter than those which are now worn, and golf capes of serge, with their bright plaid linings, will be as popular and useful as ever.

## HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

The term "ventilation" is not by any means synonymous with a dangerous draught of air pouring into an apartment.

Systematic care of lamps is better than all the patent "fixings" ever invented, as a means of securing good light.

In trimming the lamp, simply remove the charred portion of the wick, and not the unburned, though blackened fibre.

To take out grease, mix two ounces of aqua ammonia, one teaspoonful of salt-peter, one ounce of shaving soap scraped fine, and one quart of soft water. Let stand for a few days. When ready for use, sponge the spots well with it, washing out in clear water. Repeat, if necessary.

An old horsehair sofa, that has seen its best days, was transformed by clever fingers by sawing off the back and converting the seat into a presentable divan. This was accomplished by replacing the horsehair with a pretty wild rose cretonne and covering large square pillows with the same material. The hair which was pulled from the discarded back served excellently to stuff the pillows.

## USEFUL RECIPES.

### ONION SOUP.

Brown two onions in one ounce of butter, stir in a tablespoonful of flour, brown this also, thin down with three pints of soup stock, boil up and season with pepper and salt. Toast six pieces of bread, one for each plate, pour on the soup and serve.

### SALTED PEANUTS.

Shell the peanuts, and blanch by pouring hot water over them, so that the skin will slip off easily. When dry, stir them well in melted butter—one tablespoonful of butter is enough for a cupful of peanuts. Let them dry again, and sprinkle thoroughly with salt all over. Put in a flat baking-tin, and let them bake until a delicious brown. Do not have the

oven too hot. You need only stir them two or three times. It will probably take about ten minutes to brown them.

### MORAVIAN SUGAR CAKE.

Cut four ounces of butter into small pieces; add to it one pint of milk that has been scalded in a double boiler. Sift one and a half quarts of flour; put it into a bowl; when the milk is lukewarm, add half a compressed yeast dissolved, or a half cupful of yeast. Make a well in the flour and pour in the milk; stir in sufficient of the flour to make a thin batter; cover, and stand in a warm place two hours. When ready, add two eggs, well beaten, and a half-cupful of sugar and a teaspoonful of salt; then stir in the remaining part of the flour. Beat this very hard; pour this into a greased shallow pan and stand in a warm place about one hour, or until very light. Mix together two ounces of butter and two teaspoonfuls of cinnamon; beat until smooth. Make little holes all over the cake; put down into each hole a little ball of this mixture. Bake in a moderate oven about one hour.



### Which—Man or Shirt?

Has the man grown, or has the flannel shrunk? Usually, the shirt's to blame. No, not that, either—but the way it's washed.

Flannels ought to be washed with Pearline. If you're buying new ones, start right. Have them washed only with Pearline (direction on every package) and they won't shrink. As for the old ones, Pearline can't make them any larger, but begin with it at once; it will keep them from growing smaller. It will keep them from the wear of the washboard, too.

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Tenders will not be considered unless made on the form supplied and signed with the actual signatures of tenderers.

An accepted bank cheque, payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works, equal to five per cent of amount of tender, must accompany each tender. This cheque will be forfeited if the party declines the contract, or fail to complete the work contracted for, and will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order, E. F. E. ROY Secretary.

Department of Public Works, Ottawa, 23rd Feb. 1895. 53-2



SEALED TENDERS marked "For Mounted Police Clothing Supplies," and addressed to the Honourable the President of the Privy Council, will be received up to noon on Tuesday, 19th March, 1895.

Printed forms of tender containing full information as to the articles and quantities required, may be had on application to the undersigned.

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FRED WHITE, Comptroller N. W. M. Police. Ottawa, February 15th, 1895. 53-2

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